

# AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP 2621 PATENT APPLICATION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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